

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE IS HEAVILY REDUCED

Cut of 80 Per Cent in Force of Employees Is Announced—Only 56 Offices Will Be Retained.

WILL STILL HELP SOLDIERS

Returning Troops Will Be Aided—Action Due to Failure of Congress to Pass Appropriation.

WASHINGTON. March 13.—Reduction of 80 per cent in the force of the United States employment service, effective March 22, was announced today by Director General Denomme. This was made necessary, it was explained, by the failure of congress to provide funds to continue the work.

Mr. Denomme said the number of employment offices would be reduced from 230 to 56, but that none of the work to direct contractors with the sale of surplus and material to civilian employment would be discontinued.

The reduction of the employment service cuts it to the bone," said Mr. Denomme. "The special work in placing engineers and other highly trained men, persons handicapped by office and physical disability, vocational guidance and placement, the sale of surplus skilled workers and the training of employment examiners must all cease March 22."

"The maintenance of a skeleton administrative organization in Washington and the states, and the continuance of camp representatives, soldiers' bureaus, and the clearance system, together with 26 branch offices in strategic industrial centers, will however permit the directing of national employment work by the employment service and enable it to resume full operation when congress appropriates funds."

Secretary Wilson, in a statement tonight, explaining the plan for retaining a skeleton organization of the service, disclosed that the service could not draw on President Wilson's \$100,000,000 war emergency fund because practically all of it has been already pledged.

Secretary Wilson announced that the employment service would be reorganized on a basis that would enable it to utilize the voluntary services of individuals and organizations to continue the work of finding places for returned soldiers and sailors.

White Mr. Denomme was sending orders today to federal directors of the service for the states, reports receiving headquarters here showed there had been a heavy decrease in unemployment during the past five days. 60 per cent of the returning industrial veterans having large labor surpluses. "This fact, together with the fact that the work of the bureaus for returning soldiers is closely allied with that of the service, led the director general to predict that nine of the 100 employment bureaus would be maintained in the communities in which they are located.

WAR BOARD HEARS APPEAL OF WOMEN IN CLEVELAND

WASHINGTON. March 13.—Arguments in the appeal from the recommendation of the national war labor board that women conductors at Cleveland, Ohio, be discharged to satisfy demands of striking male employees, were heard today by the board. The case was taken under advisement and a decision is expected within two weeks.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, honorary president of the National American Woman Suffrage association; Frank P. Walsh, former joint chairman of the board, and Miss Mary Van Kleeck, director of the women-in-industry service, the labor department, were among those appearing in behalf of the discharged women workers. James H. Vahy, attorney for the International Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, opposed the appeal.

Dr. Shaw declared that during the war women in all parts of the country had responded nobly to the nation's call for workers, but that now that the acute need for workers had passed there was a tendency to "get rid of the women."

Mr. Walsh, who appeared as counsel for the women employees, said the board should declare that women were legally entitled to the same rights in industry as men. The women conductors of Cleveland were unjustly discharged, he said, and should be reinstated.

TARDIEU HARDLY LOOKS FOR PEACE BY MARCH 20

PARIS. March 13.—Captain Andre Tardieu of the French peace delegation today held his usual weekly conference with the newspaper correspondents. Responding to an inquiry whether it is possible the peace treaty will be signed by March 20, the French general said: "It is such a contingency quite impossible, although he expected great progress to be made within the next week. Four treaties will be necessary, one each with Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria. Captain Tardieu explained, and hence he said, probably would not be signed together. The treaty with Germany being the most important, he signed first.

Asked if the signing of peace would permit Germany to resume commercial activity, Captain Tardieu said the financial and commercial sections of the treaty would contain important regulations of enemy trade but that shipping will be resumed under certain reservations. Answering an inquiry whether the Germans would be permitted to come to Paris to sign the peace, Captain Tardieu said it was not certain that the Germans would be admitted to Paris, that the conference had not decided this point.

Cardinals Get Pitcher.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—Following the exportation of 450,000 rounds of ammunition in 100 boxes yesterday for the Mexican federal army under a special permit from the state department, a formal request has been made by Mexican authorities for 2,000 American-made rifles and the necessary cartridges. The only provision is expected to be received here from Washington before April 1, it became known here last night.

Norman Soldier Honored.

NORMAN, Okla., March 13.—Sergeant Vince Brown of Norman has been awarded the distinguished service cross for extraordinary heroism in action, according to word received in Norman by his mother, Mrs. M. C. Brown. Sergeant Brown has been overseas for a year.

Armenian Refugees Arrive in United States



Refugees from Harput, Armenia, on arrival at San Francisco.

The above group of Armenians which arrived in the United States recently is composed of the most prominent families of Harput. They fled from their homes to escape the atrocities of the Turks. Their spokesman is Baron Daskasparian, a 19-year-old boy. He is the second from the right in the picture. He tells how he saw his entire family slain by the Turks at Karsig, near Harput. He fails of seeing 15,000 Armenians massacred and thrown into Lake Kalganak. Other refugees will follow this group and will be distributed in Chicago and Boston.

BEST ANTIDOTE FOR BOLSHEVISM

Growing Victory Gardens Conserves Patriotism as Well as Thrift.

Americanism illustrated in growing victory gardens is "the best antidote for Bolshevik doctrine," according to the Young Men's Christian association, which is planning a 1919 campaign of "Americanism and the speaking of the English language in the victory garden." Details of the campaign were completed here today by the national war garden commission, co-operating with the immigration department of the Y. M. C. A. in Chicago. Plans also provide for the showing of the victory garden work in moving pictures throughout the country.

To start off the campaign 10,000 gardens and books have been sent to Chicago in addition to several thousand posters. The Y. M. C. A. had 150 acres of industrial gardens last year and they hope to better that record this year. These gardens are 25x30 feet.

Teacher of Thiefs.

"This is one of the most constructive campaigns yet undertaken," said Charles Lathrop, Park supervisor of the national war garden commission, today. "Do not forget that the garden produces healthy food. It produces thrift so important to the nation at this time. Then, too, it means contented workers everywhere. The man with a victory garden realizes the value of making regular trips to the bank. Then, too, the incentive to get out in the open air speaks English language to the housewife who is the food producer for a good customer and a good citizen. The best antidote for Bolshevik doctrine is the production of food for the kitchen door."

Food Excess Is Needed.

S. R. Bidwell, secretary of the national war garden commission, has just returned from Moscow where he spent three months studying the Soviet food production plans. He points out that everything possible must be done in the United States to produce food close to the point of consumption in order that other foodstuffs that can be shipped long distances can be sent abroad. There are millions in Europe close to the point of starvation, according to reports from abroad.

Siberia, he is to learn all about Siberian gardening. Prof. W. C. Wilcox, of the State Agricultural extension at Durham, N. H., has prepared a garden circular for distribution this summer in Siberia by the agricultural educational expedition under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. The circular will be published in English and a Russian translation.

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Three Chinese Killed in Raid of Villa Men

JUAREZ, March 13.—Three Chinese were killed Tuesday when Roman Vega's Villa command entered and routed Pearson, Chihuahua, 150 miles south of here, according to Chinese who arrived here today and registered in the American consulate. No Americans were harmed at this American Indian camp, they said.

Reports from Carrizo, 150 miles south of here, indicated fighting probably would occur there during the night. Villa, with 600 men, was at the Carrizo ranch headquarters and 500 federal troops with machine guns were posted in the Carrizo station, five miles distant awaiting an attack.

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TWO WIVES COMPLAIN OF CRUEL HUSBANDS

ASK WAR BOARD TO SETTLE NEWARK STREET CAR STRIKE

Declaring that her husband attempted to kill her by cutting her throat with a razor and that he was an habitual drunkard, Clara Kulback, Superior court Thursday for divorce against George Kulback.

Bettie Givens complains that her husband has been guilty of extreme cruelty and gross neglect of duty since almost immediately after their marriage in February, 1918, and she seeks to be divorced from Garfield Givens, according to her petition filed in the divorce court yesterday.

Brought Wants New Session.
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 13.—In a speech at 2 o'clock this afternoon Mr. Brought, said he was awaiting the opening of a special session of the Arkansas legislature which adjourned at noon to enact "some sound constructive revenue measures" and to pass the bill providing for the submission of the new constitution. He said, however, he would take no action until he had conferred with all members of the legislature.

WOMAN'S INCOME
NEW YORK, March 13.—Enrica Caruso, the tenor, will pay an income tax of \$153,933.70 for 1918, it was revealed at the collector's office in the second New York district today. Caruso visited the office yesterday and taking advantage of the installment payment plan paid his tax check for \$33,424, one-fourth of the total amount. Permission to print the name was given by Caruso, as the law does not permit the tax collector's office to voluntarily give out the information.

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